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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 107348-00041

DATE: November 14, 2000

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP99/00528

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE February 8, 1999

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 16, 1998

TITLE OF INVENTION: SEALANT-INCORPORATED TIRE MANUFACTURING METHOD AND SEALANT-INCORPORATED TIRE

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1	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing	under 35 U.S.C. 371.	

- (THE BASIC FILING FEE IS ATTACHED)
- 2. \underline{XX} This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. ___ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. ___ A proper demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- 5. ___ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. __ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. __ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. __ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- 6. ___ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
- 7. ___ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. __ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. __ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. __ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. __ have not been made and will not be made.
- B. ___ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9. ___ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- 10. XX A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. XX An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98; PTO-1449 Form; Reference (1).
- 12. ___ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. ___ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 - A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- 14. ___ Amended specification.
- 15. ___ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- 16. ___ Other items or information:

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a A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2300 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.								
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must b filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.								
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